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LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to augment the livestock, improve breed and develop dairy Industry in Rajasthan;

(b) the names and locations of the Breed - Improvement - Research Centres alongwith the extent to which these centres helped in improving the breeds of Tharpar Kar, Gir, Nagouri with their research work in Rajasthan;

(c) the manner in which the funds under Centrally Sponsored Schemes are being received in Rajasthan to protect the valuable livestock from various infectious diseases alongwith the names of these schemes; and

(d) the funds which are yet to be sanctioned by the Union Government for various ambitious projects related to livestock in Rajasthan alongwith the time by which these funds could be released ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The Government have sponsored several schemes to supplement the efforts of the State government of Rajasthan to augment the livestock, improve breed and develop dairy Industry in the State. The major schemes include Extension Frozen Semen Technology and Progeny Testing Programme, National Bull Production Programme and a Central Herd Registration Unit at Ajmer.

(b): Indian Council of Agriculture Research has undertaken the following research activities:

(i) Genetic improvement through selective breeding and progeny testing for Tharparkar cattles in Rajasthan at Rajasthan Agricultural University, Bikaner.

(ii) Genetic improvement in Gir breed at Gujarat Agricultural University, Junagarh, Gujarat.

(iii) A pilot survey of Nagouri breed of cattles has been undertaken at National Bureau of Animal Genetic Resources (NBAGR), Karnal in its breeding tract in Rajasthan.

(c): The following schemes are being implemented to protect the valuable livestock from infectious diseases in Rajasthan:
i) Systematic Control of Livestock Diseases of National Importance
ii) Foot & Mouth Disease Control Programme
iii) Animal Disease Surveillance
iv) National Project on Rinderpest Eradication

The funds under these schemes are provided to the State Government of Rajasthan on the basis of viable proposals, availability of matching share in the state budget and provision of utilization certificates of previous releases.

(d): No proposals from Government of Rajasthan are pending for sanction with the Union Government.